

Gateway Juniors Bid Tournament/Regional Tournament Committee Minutes

June 13, 2012

Attendance: Steve Mueth, Tim Neels, Chris Clauss, Nicki Fisaga, Donna Mayer, Dennis Nosco, Bob Crank, Matt Ryan, Dale Woodson, Gretchen Moser, Donna Gunning

Bid Tournament

- Format – Double Elimination Bracket
 - Single Day format if 16 or fewer teams entered
 - Two Day format if 17 or more teams entered
- Provide up refs for each match. Up and Down Refs for Championship and matches that determine a bid
- Date will be the current weekend of the Gold/Silver Gateway Regional Championship
- Entry fee will be designed for this to be a break even event
 - Goal to keep between \$200-250
- No match to start later than 7pm on Saturday and 5pm on Sunday if possible
- Only a 2 match guarantee
- Web Point rosters will be the official rosters. All changes must be submitted for approval prior to the entry deadline. Any roster changes after the entry deadline must be approved by the tournament director or commissioner.
- All 5th place matches will be scheduled and played. The tie break procedure after 6th place will be head to head completion in the event followed by rank going into the event
- Both the event entry and USAV Junior National entry must be completed by the entry deadline
- Teams who have already earned an Open or National BID will not be permitted to play. Teams with American BIDS will be allowed to participate
- No refunds will be awarded after the entry deadline. However, refunds will be awarded to teams who earn a bid to the USAV Junior National Championships prior to the event, including teams with American Bids that do not wish to participate.
- Current penalties will be enforced for any rejected bids
- Schedules will be released the week of the event. Teams MUST be aware that schedule changes may take place up to the day of the event.

Gold/Silver Regional Championships

- Format – 2 day event with a 10 set minimum guarantee and at least 2 matches each day. Pool Play on Day 1 with 3 or 4 team pools. In 4 team pools, top 2 advance to a Gold bracket and bottom 2 advance to a Silver bracket. 3 team pools may have a cross over match or top 2 advance to Gold and 3rd to Silver. Bracket Play on Day 2 with a Championship and Consolation Side.
- Fee structure will remain the same
- Provide up refs for each match. Up and Down Refs for Championship
- Date will be 2 weekends before the BID Tournament, an exception will be made for Easter weekend conflict
- Continue to follow National Qualifying Event Rules/USAV rules
- No waived teams
- Web Point rosters will be the official rosters. All changes must be submitted for approval by the entry deadline. Any roster changes after the entry deadline must be approved by the tournament director or commissioner.
- Waivered teams will be allowed to play in the 11s division only.
- Teams will only be allowed to play in one Regional Championship event at their registered age level.

Bronze/Copper Regional Championships and 11s Regional Championships

- Format - 2 day event with a 10 set minimum guarantee and at least 2 matches each day. Pool Play on Day 1 with 3 or 4 team pools. In 4 team pools, top 2 advance to a Bronze bracket and bottom 2 advance to a Copper bracket. 3 team pools may have a cross over match or top 2 advance to Bronze and 3rd to Copper. Bracket Play on Day 2 with a Championship and Consolation Side.
- Fee structure will remain the same
- Provide up refs for each match. Up and Down Refs for Championship
- Date will be the weekend before the BID Tournament
- Continue to follow current tournament rules/USAV rules with Gateway modifications
- Web Point rosters will be the official rosters. All changes must be submitted for approval by the entry deadline. Any roster changes after the entry deadline must be approved by the tournament director or commissioner.
- The 11s division, only, will play all matches to 19 (both pool and bracket play)
- Teams will only be allowed to play in one Regional Championship event at their registered age level.

Regional ranking and seeding for these tournaments will be as follows. Gold/Silver and Bronze/Copper Regionals will be seeded by the ranking system with all data received prior to April 1. Ranking will be posted at this time. Result information will continue to be entered into the system through Gold/Silver Regionals. Seeding for the BID tournament will be based on the ranking released following Gold/Silver Regionals.

The Gateway Website will continue to post regional ranking with the date last updated. The Website will also post Regional and BID Tournament finishes.

The Gateway Region will continue the current process of limited sanctioning of other events during these 3 weekends.

Nicki will work on a procedural manual/instruction sheet for the BID Tournament to be posted on the website.

Matt and Nicki will look into posting results on either AES or Real Time Results for all 3 events, with the goal of utilizing one of these systems by the 2013 Championships.

All members of this committee were encouraged to attend and support these recommendations at the Junior Forum meeting (Meeting to be held at the Kirkwood Community Center on Wednesday, July 11 at 6 pm).

Recommendation based on both the committee and junior forum input will be voted on at the August 3 general board meeting.